

# ROGOWSKI CURRENT WAVEFORM TRANSDUCERS

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE CWT ULTRA-MINI & CWTUM-S

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# INTRODUCTION

The CWT Ultra-Mini and CWTUM-S (CWT) Rogowski Current Waveform Transducer from PEM combines high bandwidth performance with minimal disruption to the circuit under test. These instructions must be followed whenever the CWT is used. They are intended to help you obtain the best and safest performance from the transducer.

Throughout these instructions there are a number of warnings which must be observed to ensure safe operation of this CWT. These warnings are identified by the following symbol:



The intended use is for the measurement of AC current. PEM accepts no responsibility for any damage resulting from careless use, or failure to observe these instructions.

# **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION**

Refer to ID Label
±6V (corresponding to ±Peak Current Rating)
0.5m BNC to BNC 50Ω cable
In order to maintain safety, the BNC terminal must be connected to equipment that is separated from hazardous voltages by at least double insulation.
≥ 100k $\Omega$ (for rated accuracy – recommend DC1M $\Omega$ on scope)
= 50 $\Omega$ (CWT can drive a 50 $\Omega$ load if necessary)
NB. A load of 50 $\Omega$ will reduce the CWT sensitivity by half its normal value <b>and</b> limit the peak output voltage to ±2V.
Refer to the datasheet
0°C to +40°C (Integrator Electronics)
-40°C to +125°C (Coil and Cable)

(5% to 100% Peak Current)
Nominally $\pm 0.2\%$ with the conductor central in the Rogowski loop. See the calibration certificate for further details.
±2% variation of accuracy with conductor position in the loop (see 'Obtaining The Best Measurement')
±0.05% of reading
Refer to datasheet

Dielectric Strength (Coil)	1.2kV peak		
Absolute di/dt Ratings	CWTUM 015, 03, 06 100kA/µs peak 1.0kA/µs rms   CWTUM 1 to 30 70kA/µs peak 1.2kA/µs rms   CWTUM 60, 150 70kA/µs peak 1.2kA/µs rms   CWTUM-S 100kA/µs peak 1.0kA/µs rms		
Environmental	Indoor use / Altitude up to 2000m		
	Installation Category II, Pollution Degree 2.		
	Max. Rel. Humidity: 80% up to 31°C		
	Decreasing Linearly to 50% at 40°C		
Measurement Category	Cat II 600V		

Operation	with	External	Adaptor
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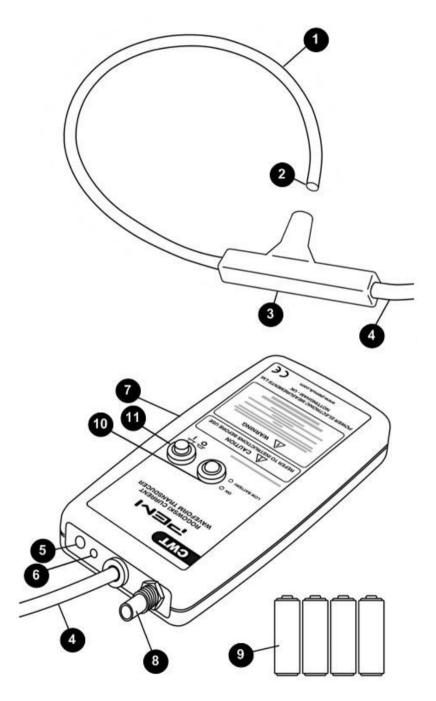
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DC Supply Voltage	12Vdc (±10%)
DC Quiescent Current	60mA @12VDC – ' <b>B'</b> version Standard Alkaline Battery 130mA @12VDC – ' <b>R</b> ' version NiMH Rechargeable Battery
DC Socket Type	1.3mm x 3.5mm Jack Socket, Centre Tip Positive
The device sho	ould only be powered by the supplied mains adaptor.
Adaptor Supply Voltage	100 – 240VAC
Adaptor Supply Frequency	50 - 60Hz
Adaptor Supply Current	450mA Max @ 100VAC Input
Supply Voltage Fluctuation	up to 10%

#### **Operation with Battery**

<b>'B'</b> version: 4 x 1.5V AA Alkaline	Typical Life: 25 hours
<b>'R'</b> version:	Typical Life: 10hrs typ. (based on a 2000mAh cell)
4 x 1.2V NiMH Rechargeable	Typical Recharge Time: 40 hrs

STANDARDS AND	APPROVALS	
EMC Approvals	EN61326-1:2021	
	FCC Title 47 (CFR:2010, Part 15b)	
Safety Approvals	EN61010-1:2010+A1:2019	
	EN61010-2-032:2012	
Quality System	IS09001:2015	
C	RoHS Compliant	

# **OVERVIEW: CWT ULTRA-MINI & CWTUM-S**



- 1. Rogowski Coil (Probe)
- 2. Probe 'Free End'
- 3. Ferrule
- 4. Connecting Cable
- 5. DC Power Socket
- 6. DC Power Status LED
- 7. Enclosure
- 8. BNC Output Socket
- 9. 4 x AA batteries
- 10.Status Indicator LED

GREEN = ON

RED = Battery LOW

11. Power Button

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# HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

Every effort has been made to ensure that the CWT is as robust as possible. To achieve such an extremely thin Rogowski coil the CWT is necessarily delicate.

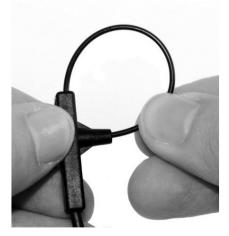
To prolong the life of the coil please observe the following handling instructions.

When fully inserted the ferrule will grip the coil.





When clipping or unclipping the coil, hold the ferrule as shown





Never force the free end of the coil into the ferrule. This may damage the coil insulation.

Take care not to put any force onto the cable attached to the coil. This may damage the coil.



When not in use return the coil to its protective case.

The minimum bend radius of this coil is 10mm. This is the minimum radius that the coil can be bent without causing damage or shortening its life.

# **SAFETY AND PRE-USE CHECKS**



The CWT does not provide protection of the user from electric shock whilst applying or removing the probe from HAZARDOUS LIVE conductors.

The probe must only be applied to or removed from de-energised circuits.

The Rogowski coil must not be used if the coil outer layer is damaged, or in any way compromised.

If the CWT is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

#### THE ULTRA-MINI ROGOWSKI COIL



The insulation around the Rogowski coil must be VISUALLY INSPECTED before use, and the CWT must **NOT BE USED** if there are signs of damage.



When bending the flexible coil around a conductor, avoid tight bends and sharp edges that could damage the coil.



The voltage rating is clearly labelled on the cable adjacent to the coil. Never use at voltages greater than this value.

The ratings are derived from the following standard test: 3kVrms/60s/50Hz Sinewave



Voltage ratings are only valid if the 'free end' of the coil is fully inserted into the socket and remains fully inserted during use. The coil has a friction fit, the coil is fully inserted when the user feels they can ease the coil free end into the ferrule no further.



The voltage ratings are appropriate for intermittent use of the CWT as a test instrument and not for continuous use in a permanent installation.

For information regarding permanent installation of PEM's Rogowski coils on high voltage equipment please consult PEM.



The user must ensure that the absolute maximum rated di/dt is not exceeded

#### THE INTEGRATOR



The CWT must only be used with oscilloscopes or monitoring equipment which have their BNC INPUTS PROPERLY GROUNDED.

# **POWER OPTIONS**

The CWT can be powered by an external DC source or by one of two battery options. The battery option is displayed along with the model type on the CWT serial number label and will state either standard non-rechargeable batteries **[B]** or rechargeable option **[R]** 

#### External Supply

The CWT can be powered by an external DC supply. The DC voltage must be  $12V(\pm 10\%)$  using a centre positive connector. When the DC supply is present a RED indicating LED adjacent to the socket is illuminated.

#### **Standard Alkaline Batteries**

Four fully charged AA alkaline batteries provide approx. 25 hours operation. Healthy batteries are indicated by the GREEN LED. If the LED is RED the batteries are depleted and must be replaced.

When the DC voltage is present the batteries are inoperative.

#### **Rechargeable Batteries**

Four fully charged rechargeable AA cells provide approx. 10 hours operation. Healthy batteries are indicated by the GREEN LED. If the LED is RED the batteries are depleted and must be replaced or recharged.

When the DC supply is present the batteries are inoperative and the external DC voltage powers the transducer. In addition, when the DC supply is present (regardless of whether the transducer is ON or OFF) the rechargeable batteries are trickle charged. ['**R**' Version Only]

# **REPLACING THE BATTERIES**

The circuit under test must be de-energised or the probe removed from the test circuit before replacing the batteries.

Low battery is indicated by a red LED located near the power switch. To replace the batteries, switch-off the CWT, remove the battery cover and replace with appropriate batteries for your CWT type.

Alkaline batteries that are deeply discharged are more prone to leaking. PEM strongly advise that for long-term storage, the batteries are removed from the instrument.

# SWITCHING ON



Before installing the CWT and taking a measurement refer to SAFETY AND PRE-USE CHECKS and HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS to ensure safe operation of your CWT Ultra-Mini.



Your CWT must only be used with oscilloscopes or monitoring equipment which have their BNC inputs properly grounded.



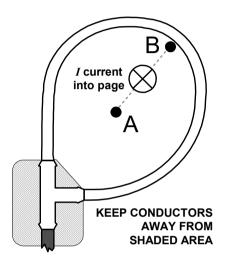
The probe must only be applied to or removed from de-energised circuits.

- 1. Connect the BNC output of the transducer to your grounded oscilloscope or current monitoring equipment.
- 2. Having carried out the VISUAL INSPECTION of the Rogowski coil, unclip the coil and wrap it around the de-energised conductor under test.
- 3. Insert the 'free end' of the coil fully inside the ferrule.
- 4. Re-energise the conductor.
- 5. Use the push button to switch ON by pressing and releasing the button, and to turn OFF by depressing the button fully; the LED indicates that the transducer is ON when the LED is GREEN.
- 6. After switch-on the CWT may require a settling period of up to 2 minutes before providing correct current measurement. The settling period is dependent on warm-up time and the low frequency bandwidth.
- 7. PEM recommend that the integrator is kept well away from any strong sources of electromagnetic interference when taking measurements.

# **OBTAINING THE BEST MEASUREMENT**

The Rogowski coil should be positioned so that the conductor under test is encircled by the coil but is not adjacent to the cable attachment (see picture below). The diagram shows the direction a positive current should pass through the coil loop in order to obtain a positive output voltage. The CWT has been calibrated with the conductor near the centre (position **A**), and this is the ideal position for accuracy.

For the best high frequency performance, the centre of the current should lie on the line shown **A** to **B**, where **B** is halfway around the circumference of the coil.



### SENSITIVITY TO EXTERNAL CURRENTS AND VOLTAGES

The sensitivity of the CWT to currents that are outside the closed loop of the Rogowski coil is very small, provided that the external currents are less than the current rating of the CWT or that such currents are relatively distant from the coil. In the vicinity of a multi-turn conductor the effects are far stronger than from a single conductor carrying the same current, and such positions should be avoided.

If there is a surface with a high voltage very close to the coil and the voltage is subject to high rates of change (e.g.  $1kV/\mu s$ ) or high frequency oscillations in the MHz range, then measurement error can arise due to capacitive coupling to the coil.

To check for any unwanted response to adjacent fields, it is recommended to quantify the output of the CWT when close to (but not encircling) the conductor under test. This will reveal the magnitude of any unwanted responses to currents close to, but outside, the coil.

#### **OUTPUT CABLES**

Your CWT has been supplied with a 50ohm BNC to BNC output cable. It is possible to use longer cables and these should be of a  $50\Omega$  single screened co-axial cable type.

PEM does not consider the use of extension cables to be problematic from the noise viewpoint but consideration should be given to the routing of very long cables.

# **CLEANING AND DECONTAMINATION**

To prevent surface contamination the Rogowski coil and cable should be inspected regularly.

The CWT must be disconnected from any external circuit and turned OFF prior to cleaning.

To clean the coil and cable use a mild detergent and a damp cloth to remove any contamination, wipe dry with clean cloth to remove the detergent and dry thoroughly before placing back into service.

PEM accepts no responsibility for the use of any other cleaning solvents or cleaning methods.

## WARRANTY

The coil is guaranteed to be free from defects due to materials and workmanship for 12 months and the integrator for 24 months from the date of despatch from Power Electronic Measurements Ltd.

In the event of a defect where the transducer has not been misused the CWT should be returned to PEM with all freight charges to be paid by the customer. Correction shall be in the form of repair or replacement.

Power Electronic Measurements Ltd shall not be liable for any consequential damages, losses, costs or expenses arising from the use or misuse of this product however caused.

# **RETURNING YOUR CWT FOR RECALIBRATION OR REPAIR**

To return the CWT for repair or recalibration please contact PEM in advance for shipping instructions by emailing <u>service@pemuk.com</u> or visit our website, <u>http://www.pemuk.com/</u> for contact details and our returns procedure.

#### END OF LIFE DISPOSAL

Once your probe reaches end of life it must be disposed of responsibly and recycled. The device must not be disposed of with household waste.

For technical updates and the latest product releases please consult

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